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The Office Action of August 22, 2006, is discussed in detail below.

Outstanding claims 19 – 28 and 30 were provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 15 – 28 of copending Application No. 10/657,285. In this communication, Applicant has filed a terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321(c) to overcome the rejection. Applicant believes that the outstanding claims stand in a condition for allowance.

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SUMMARY

The remaining claims in the application are claims 19 – 28 and 30. In view of the above terminal disclaimer, Applicant believes that the rejection of claims 19 – 28 and 30 has now been overcome and that these claims stand in a condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of all outstanding rejections and respectfully submits that the application stands in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner have any questions or suggestions regarding this amendment, the Examiner is respectfully asked to contact Applicant's representative at the telephone number or email address listed below.

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